

REMARKS

Claim 9 has been previously cancelled. Claims 6-8, 10, 22, and 23 are cancelled via the present amendment. The claims remaining in the application are 1-5 and 11-21.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Office Action has rejected claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hjortzberg (U.S. 4,404,585). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 6 has been cancelled via the present amendment.

The Office Action has rejected claim 7 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Dyck (U.S. 5,796,433). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 7 has been cancelled via the present amendment.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

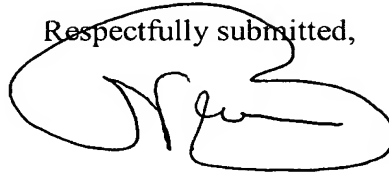
The Office Action has rejected claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morishita (U.S. 4,281,339) in view of Neumann (U.S. 5,917,560). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 8 has been cancelled via the present amendment.

The Office Action has rejected claims 10, 22, and 23 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rhoades (U.S. 4,286,285) in view of Hibbard (U.S. 5,382,976). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claims 10, 22, and 23 have been cancelled via the present amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action has allowed claims 1-5 and 11-21.

Respectfully submitted,

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